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Dear Secretary Williams:

This to advise that in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Decision served on November 5, 2004, Buckingham Branch Railroad has commenced operations pursuant to lease of the CSXT line that runs between Clifton Forge, VA and AM Junction, VA and to sub lease of the NSR line that runs between Gordonsville, VA and Orange, VA.

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Sincerely

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